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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF
KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

AND

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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Additional Public Health Inspector :

T. Cook, M.A.P.H.I.

Technical Assistant : (from 11th August, 1969)

A. Keeling

Senior Clerk : Miss M. M. Smith

Clerk : Mrs. M. Keeling

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NG17 7BE

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT

for the year ended 31st December, 1969

To the Chairman and Members of the
Kirkby-in-Ashfield Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you the Annual Report for 1969.

Vital Statistics

The estimated mid-year population was 22,610.

The live birth rate was 17.1 compared with 16.3 for England and Wales. This was a fall compared with the figure of 19.9 last year.

The still birth rate was 12 compared with 13 for England and Wales, and shows little change from the figure 11.09 last year. The causes of these deaths classified according to the International Classification of still births was :

					<i>Hospital</i>	<i>Home</i>
Diseases and conditions of pregnancy and childbirth	....	....	....	....	2	1
Congenital Malformations	....	....	....	....	1	1

The number of children dying under 1 year of age was 4, 1 of these being under 1 week old, and 1 under the age of 4 weeks old. 2 deaths occurred in the age group 4 weeks to 1 year. These figures gave an infant mortality rate of 10 compared with 18 for England and Wales. This shows a fall compared with 17.9 in 1968. The neo-natal mortality rate was 5 compared with 12 for England and Wales, and 15.7 for Kirkby in 1968. This shows an encouraging fall in figures which tend to mirror maternal health and genetic factors. The perinatal mortality rate has also fallen to 15 as compared with 24.4 last year which shows a very welcome trend. In the two children dying under 4 weeks old, the causes of death were cardiac failure associated with maternal diabetes, and cerebral

sinus thrombosis associated with infection respectively. In the two deaths occurring between 4 weeks and 1 year the causes of death were bronchopneumonia and congenital hepatic failure respectively.

There were no maternal deaths in Kirkby in 1969.

The death rate was 12 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales — the lowest recorded in Kirkby since 1965. Examination of the causes of death shows that 67 out of the total 224 deaths were due to ischaemic heart disease, 46 of these were males and 21 females. There is evidence that ischaemic heart disease tends to occur in smokers more often than in non-smokers, at least before the age of 55. While we do not know how many of these particular deaths occurred in smokers, it is figures of this order which should make us all realise how important it is to stop children from starting to smoke, thus removing one large factor in the aetiology of this disease. What better a way is there than by example? Children copy, and if the adults stop making it the fashion to smoke, many of the children will stop too.

Infectious Diseases — Prevalence and Prophylaxis

Infective Jaundice

In this, the first complete year of notification of the disease, there were 3 cases, 2 of which were in the 15-24 age group 2 occurred in January and 1 in November.

Measles

There were 70 cases notified as compared with 59 last year.

It should be noted here that the supply of measles vaccine was erratic during 1969, and it was withdrawn altogether in November 1969, after which no vaccinations took place.

Tuberculosis

There were 4 new cases as compared with 8 last year 2 of these were in the age group 64+ and were both respiratory. There were no deaths due to the disease.

Diphtheria, Poliomyelitis and Smallpox

Remain absent. The most important single factor in the decline of these diseases has been the vaccination and immunisation of infants and children, and the maintenance of a high level of mass immunity is a MUST if epidemics are to remain absent. The

message to parents is as URGENT as ever PROTECT YOUR CHILD — BY VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION.

In conclusion I would like to offer my sincere thanks to Mr. Whitten for his unfailing support, guidance, and kindness during this my first 6 months as the Medical Officer of Health. I shall always be indebted to him for his help.

To Mr. Cook I am grateful for his cheerful assistance on many occasions.

To Miss Smith I would like to express my real gratitude for her loyal support, conscientiousness and unending patience ; also to Mrs. Keeling for her pleasant and wholehearted contribution to the work of the Department. It was a pleasure to welcome Mr. A. Keeling, Technical Assistant, to the Department on 11th August, 1969.

To Mr. Preston and Mr. Rowbottom I express my thanks for their help so cheerfully given, and also to Mr. Brewin who retired on 4th July, 1969. My best wishes go to him for a happy retirement.

I am grateful to Mr. Green, the Chief Officers and their staffs for their help so readily given.

To Dr. Lockett and his staff, particularly on the County Health Clinic at Kirkby. I am grateful for their help at all times.

To the General Practitioners of Kirkby I would express my thanks for their co-operation and help.

I would like to thank particularly the Chairman of the Health Committee, Councillor Briggs, and indeed all members of the Health Committee and Urban District Council for their support in dealing with the problems of preventive medicine in this community.

TONIE F. HAYNES
Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR 1969

Population (Census 1961)	....	....	....	21,690
Estimated population (mid-year 1969)	....	....	....	22,610
Birth rate per 1,000 population	....	....	....	17.1 (16.3)
Death rate per 1,000 population	....	....	....	12.0 (11.9)
Infantile mortality rate per 1,000 births	....	....	....	10.0 (18.0)
Area (Acres)	....	....	....	5,831
Inhabited Houses (31st March, 1969)	....	....	....	7,834
Rateable Value (Nett) (31st March, 1970)	....	....	....	£607,086
Estimated product of penny rate (1969/70)	....	....	....	£2,370

The figures in brackets refer to the whole country—England and Wales.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

The Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths, attends the Youth Employment Office, Pond Street, Kirkby-in-Ashfield at the following times :

Mondays	2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Tuesdays	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Thursdays	2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Fridays	10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1969

BIRTHS

	Total	Males	Females
Live Births	403	205	198
Legitimate	380	192	188
Illegitimate	23	13	10

Birth Rate per thousand estimated population

Crude Rate 17.8

Corrected Rate 17.1

Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births 6.0

(Area comparability factor 0.96)

Still Births	5	1	4
Legitimate	3	1	2
Illegitimate	2	—	2

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) 12

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 population22

Total live and still births 408

DEATHS

Total	Males	Females
224	129	95

Death Rate per thousand estimated population

Crude Rate 9.9

Corrected Rate 12.0

(Area comparability factor 1.21)

				Total
No. of women dying in, or in consequence of, child-birth, pregnancy or abortion	....	....	....	—
Total deaths of Infants under 1 year	....	....	....	4
Infantile death rate per 1,000 live births	....	....	....	10
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	....	....	....	39
Deaths from Gastritis, Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years of age)	....	....	....	—

INFANT MORTALITY

(Under 1 year of age)

				Total	Males	Females
Number of deaths	....	....	....	4	3	1
Legitimate	....	....	....	4	3	1
Illegitimate	....	....	....	—	—	—

(Under 4 weeks of age)

Number of deaths	....	....	....	2	2	—
Legitimate	....	....	....	2	2	—
Illegitimate	....	....	....	—	—	—

(Under 1 week of age)

Number of deaths	....	....	....	1	1	—
Legitimate	....	....	....	1	1	—
Illegitimate	....	....	....	—	—	—

Infant Mortality Rates

All infants per 1,000 births	....	....	....	....	10
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births				....	11
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births				....	—
Neo-Natal (first four weeks) mortality rate per 1,000 live births	....	....	....	....	5
Early Neo-Natal mortality rate (deaths under 1 week) per 1,000 total live births	....	....	....	....	2
Perinatal mortality rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined) per 1,000 total live and still births				....	15

The classification of deaths is as follows :

Pneumonia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2
Diseases of the nervous system....			....	....	....	....	....	1
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1

MATERNAL MORTALITY—Nil

BIRTHS AND BIRTH-RATE

The total number of births registered during the year was 408, 206 males and 202 females. Of these, there were 25 illegitimates, 13 males and 12 females. There were 403 live births and 5 still births. This gives a Live Birth-rate of 17.8 (crude) per 1,000 of the population, as compared with 19.9 (crude) per 1,000 in the previous year.

The still-births amounted to 5, the same as last year.

Live birth-rate for the District for the last 10 years is as follows:

		Crude	Corrected	per 1,000 of the population	
1969	—	17.8	17.1		
1968	—	19.9	19.10	„	„
1967	—	16.70	16.04	„	„
1966	—	18.55	17.81	„	„
1965	—	18.39	17.65	„	„
1964	—	20.98	20.14	„	„
1963	—	19.74	18.95	„	„
1962	—	19.29	18.90	„	„
1961	—	18.77	18.41	„	„
1960	—	17.87	17.51	„	„

DEATHS AND DEATH-RATE

There were 224 deaths recorded in 1969.

Males 129 Females 95

This gives us an annual death-rate of 9.9 (crude)

12.0 (corrected) per 1,000 of the population.

Death-rate for the whole district for the last 10 years :

		Crude	Corrected	per 1,000 of the population	
1969	—	9.9	12.0		
1968	—	10.7	12.95	„	„
1967	—	10.20	12.24	„	„
1966	—	10.55	12.98	„	„
1965	—	9.89	11.87	„	„
1964	—	10.76	13.13	„	„
1963	—	11.37	13.87	„	„
1962	—	10.82	13.74	„	„
1961	—	10.51	13.34	„	„
1960	—	10.03	12.54	„	„

The classification of deaths is as follows :

CAUSES OF DEATH

					Males	Females	Total
Malignant Neoplasm—Oesophagus	....				—	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm—Stomach	....	....			5	2	7
Malignant Neoplasm—Intestine	....	....			2	5	7
Malignant Neoplasm—Lung, Bronchus	....				7	1	8
Malignant Neoplasm—Breast	....	....			—	6	6
Malignant Neoplasm—Uterus	....	....			—	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm—Prostate	....	....			1	—	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	....	....			3	4	7
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	....				1	—	1
Diabetes Mellitus	....	....	....	....	—	2	2
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	....				3	—	3
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	....				—	4	4
Hypertensive Disease	....	....	....	....	2	3	5
Ischaemic Heart Disease	....	....	....	....	46	21	67
Other forms of Heart Disease	....	....	....	....	6	1	7
Cerebrovascular Disease	....	....	....	....	18	17	35
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	....				2	6	8
Pneumonia	....	....	....	....	5	4	9
Bronchitis and Emphysema	....	....			14	2	16
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	....				3	1	4
Other Diseases of Digestive System	....				2	4	6
Nephritis and Nephrosis	....	....			—	2	2
Hyperplasia of Prostate	....	....	....		1	—	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	....				—	2	2
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	....				—	2	2
Congenital Anomalies	....	....	....		1	2	3

		Males	Females	Total
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	....	1	—	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	—	2
All other Accidents	2	2	4
Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	2	—	2
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		129	95	224
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PREVALENCE OF/AND CONTROL OF FEVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

During the year there were 97 cases of Infectious Diseases in the District compared with 103 the previous year.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED 1969

Age Distribution

	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and over	Age Un-known	Totals
Infective Jaundice	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	3
Measles	5	5	11	10	13	25	1	—	—	—	70
Scarlet Fever	—	—	—	1	4	12	3	—	—	—	20
TOTAL	5	5	11	11	17	38	4	2	—	—	93

	Under 5	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65 and over	Totals
Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Respiratory	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Meninges	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
Other Forms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	—	—	—	1	1	2	4

Seasonal Distribution

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals
Infective Jaundice	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
Measles	1	-	-	-	-	7	3	-	-	10	23	26	70
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	3	2	5	3	20
Tuberculosis	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
TOTAL	4	-	-	-	1	8	6	5	3	12	29	29	97

TUBERCULOSIS
New Cases and Mortality

Age Period	NEW CASES						DEATHS					
	Respiratory			Meninges			Respiratory			Meninges		
	Other			Other			Other			Other		
	M	F	M	M	F	M	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-44	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and over	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Clinic

County Health Clinic, Urban Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottingham.

Child Welfare Sessions

Weekly — Monday 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Weekly — Tuesday 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Midwifery Service

The services of 4 midwives are provided for the Urban District, and their names, addresses and telephone numbers are as follows :

Nurse Brown, 95 Southwell Lane, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.	3375
Nurse Dykes, 49 Midfield Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.	2095
Nurse Wright, 10 Manor House Court, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.	3398
Nurse Sheppard, 1 Ascot Close, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.	2552

Care of the Unmarried Mother

Cases have been dealt with during 1969 in co-operation with the Moral Welfare Service.

Care of the Premature Infant

During 1969 most of the cases were admitted to Hospital, and there has been no occasion to use the equipment held at the Clinic.

Supply of Welfare Foods and Vitamins

Various types of welfare foods and vitamins i.e. National and other brands of dried milk, orange juice and proprietary food products, vitamin tablets and codliver oil are on sale at the Clinic at the following times :

Monday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Wednesday 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
Tuesday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Friday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Cervical Cytology

Sessions are held at the Clinic, Urban Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottingham, on the third Thursday in each month from 7.15 p.m. to 8.15 p.m. The examination and the smear occupy only one minute and all women should take advantage of this important preventive service to eradicate cancer of the neck of the womb. During 1969 there were 88 first attendances and 48 re-attendances.

Home Nursing

The Nottinghamshire County Council provides this service. There are 2 District Nurses available in the Urban District, and their names, addresses and telephone numbers are as follows :

Mrs. Angelides, 53 Welbeck Street, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. 2842

Mrs. Walker, 17 Regent Street, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. 3029

Home Help Service

A Home Help Service is provided by the Nottinghamshire County Council, and the Local Organiser for the Kirkby-in-Ashfield District is Mrs. E. M. Bostock, County Health Clinic, New Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield, telephone number Sutton-in-Ashfield 5136.

Vaccination and Immunisation Sessions

Last Wednesday in every month — 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon

Child Welfare Sessions Attendances

Total Attendances during 1969

Children born in

1969	1968	1965-67
988	838	396

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

The following vaccinations and immunising injections have been given during the year.

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus

Primary		Booster Injections		Total	
1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968
215	271	54	61	269	332

Smallpox Vaccination

Primary		Re-vaccination	
1969	1968	1969	1968
64	124	—	10

Poliomyelitis Vaccination (Oral Vaccine)

1969		1968	
Primary	Boosters	Primary	Boosters
248	69	282	19

Measles

Injections given — 77

B.C.G. (Tuberculosis) Vaccination of Schoolchildren

						1969	1968
No. of acceptances	....	....	....	....	....	248	279
No. tested	....	....	....	....	....	248	279
No. negative	....	....	....	....	....	205	236
No. positive	....	....	....	....	....	43	43
No. vaccinated	....	....	....	....	....	205	236

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

Section 47, 1951 (amendment) Act

Action was taken in one case under this Section.

The Welfare Officer and Duly Authorised Officer for Kirkby-in-Ashfield District for the purpose of this Act is :

Mr. M. B. Sage

Dallas Street,
Mansfield.

Telephone No.
Mansfield 26700

VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Bentinck Colliery St. Johns Ambulance Division	President: Mr. R. Haworth, 47 Sutton Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 8GY
	Div. Supt.: Mr. W. Green, 25 Highfield Avenue, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 8GF
	Secretary: Mr. A. Oscroft, 32 Charles Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield. NG17 4LG
Bentinck Colliery Ambulance Cadet Division	Div. Supt.: Mr. D. Moody, 52 Park Street, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 8DY
	Div. Officer: Mr. C. Bloxham, 185a Alfreton Road, Sutton-in-Ashfield. NG17 1HU
East Ward Darby and Joan Club (W.R.V.S.)	Leader: Mrs. A. Butler, "Highdene", Nest Avenue, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 7LU
	Secretary : Mrs. F. Lane, 15 St.Thomas' Avenue, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 7DX
Inner Wheel Club of Kirkby-in-Ashfield	President: Mrs. G. Sugg, 74/76 Station Street, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 7AP
	Secretary : Mrs. D. Wickins, Heswall, "Lodge Lane", Kirkby-in-Ashfield. NG17 7QL

**Kirkby Colliery Nursing
Division, St. Johns
Ambulance Brigade**

Supt.: Mrs. J. Lewis,
48 Redcliffe Street,
Sutton-in-Ashfield.
NG17 4ET

Secretary: Mrs. D. Bryan,
22 Beulah Road,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7EL

**Kirkby Colliery Nursing
Cadets, St. Johns Ambulance
Brigade**

Supt.: Mrs. C. M. Young,
74 Edward Street,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7JP

Div. Officer: Mrs. S. Maddock,
39 Beacon Drive,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7NJ

**Kirkby Colliery St. Johns
Ambulance Division**

President : Mr. W. Powell,
58 Alexandra Street,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7JH

Supt. : Mr. W. Spray,
52 Banks Avenue,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8GA

Secretary : Mr. W. Spray,
52 Banks Avenue,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8GA

**British Legion
Kirkby-in-Ashfield Branch**

Secretary: Mr. K. P. Cooper,
2 Rowan Drive,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8FT

**Kirkby-in-Ashfield Old
Peoples Welfare Committee**

Chairman: Mr. R. Andrews,
91 Rowan Drive,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8FP

Vice-Chairman: Mrs. I. Sargent,
3a Hodgkinson Road,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7DJ

Secretary: Councillor A. Turner,
126 Hartley Road,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8DS

**Kirkby-in-Ashfield Branch
of the Toc H**

Chairman: Mr. J. K. Goulder,
192 Forest Road,
Annesley Woodhouse.
NG17 9JB

Secretary: Mr. H. Dickson,
15 Portland Avenue,
Annesley Woodhouse.
NG17 7BL

Red Cross Disabled Club

President : Mr. H. L. Dixon,
4 Lea Close,
Ravenshead.
NG15 9EH

Leader: Mrs. H. Jinks,
88 Vernon Road,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8ED

Secretary: Mrs. H. Humphries,
8 Rowan Close,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 8FW

**Rotary Club of
Kirkby-in-Ashfield**

President : Rtn. R. Moore,
14 Diamond Avenue,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7GL

Secretary: Rtn. J. Ward,
c/o Trustees Savings
Bank,
37 Station Street,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7AN

**South Ward Darby and
Joan Club**

Leader: Mrs. A. Reeve,
252 Kingsway,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7FN

Secretary : Mr. Britton,
12 Acacia Avenue,
Annesley Woodhouse.
NG17 9BH

**West Ward Darby and
Joan Club**

Leaders : Mrs. V. Foster
Mrs. E. Robinson

Secretary: Mrs. O. Fox,
169 Nuncargate Road,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 9EL

**Workers Educational
Association
Kirkby-in-Ashfield Branch**

Secretary : Mr. L. Day,
28 Gladstone Street,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7HT

W.R.V.S. Books on Wheels

Organiser: Mrs. W. McKinley,
96 Forest Street,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7DU

W.R.V.S. Meals on Wheels

Organiser: Mrs. W. McKinley,
96 Forest Street,
Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
NG17 7DU

HEALTH SERVICES NOT ADMINISTERED BY THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

LABORATORY FACILITIES

The following examinations are carried out by the Public Health Laboratory, City and Sherwood Hospitals, Hucknall Road, Nottingham :

Milk : Phosphatase Test, Methylene Blue Test,
 Bacteriological, etc.

Ice Cream : Methylene Blue Test, Grading, etc.

Food : Bacteriological examination.

Water : Bacteriology.

Pathological Specimens Bacteriology and pathology of swabs, sputa, etc.

The Laboratory carry out other functions, but the above are the main ones the Department is likely to need. The Service is an excellent one, and is available to the Medical Profession.

PUBLIC ANALYST'S LABORATORY

Mr. E. R. W. Fogden, 16 Hamilton Road, Sherwood Rise, Nottingham, is an official analyst for the purpose of the Food and Drugs Act 1955.

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT

for the year ended 31st December, 1969

To the Chairman and Members of the
Kirkby-in-Ashfield Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

The staff of the Department was increased during the year by the appointment of a Technical Assistant to deal with smoke control. This enabled the smoke control programme to be re-started, and Area No. 5 was inspected and a report made to the Health Committee recommending that an Order be made in respect of 394 houses. A start was also made on preparing an Order for Smoke Control Area No. 6, involving 641 houses.

It was unfortunate that whilst progress was made to bring new Areas under Smoke Control Orders, the existing four Areas were seriously affected by the shortage of solid smokeless fuels. Whilst the Authority did not find themselves in the position of several neighbouring Authorities in having to suspend Orders, there is no doubt that many householders were compelled, through no fault of their own, to burn bituminous fuels on appliances designed solely for smokeless fuels. This not only resulted in the emission of smoke, but also caused damage to some appliances.

It was particularly disappointing that this shortage should have occurred at a time when the Council had obtained the full co-operation of almost all the people affected by existing and proposed Smoke Control Orders. In fact, many people in the district would like to see the smoke control programme expedited.

The Council decided to proceed with the smoke control programme, but to extend the period between the confirmation and coming into operation of Orders 5 and 6, thus enabling householders who are keen to carry out the improvements to do so at the earliest opportunity.

It has still not been possible to use the Claypits at Kirkby Parks Farm for the tipping of refuse. It is unlikely that they will be available for some time yet. Consequently, refuse is still being tipped at Portland Fields Farm.

The increase in the bulk of refuse continued to cause problems, which could be greatly reduced if more paper could be salvaged. The Council accepted an offer by Thames Board Mills, Limited to carry out a survey of the district to estimate the amount of

salvageable waste paper in the district, and on the completion of this survey to submit a report to the Council outlining the steps that the Company suggests should be taken to make this particular service more efficient and therefore more economical.

In conclusion, I wish to record my appreciation to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their active interest and to Dr. Young and Dr. Haynes and all the other Officers of the Council for their help and co-operation and my own staff for their support at all times.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

H. S. WHITTEN

Senior Public Health Inspector

WATER

Report from the Central Nottinghamshire Water Board

1. The water supply within the area of your authority has been generally satisfactory both in quality and quantity. Isolated incidents of low pressure have occurred from time to time, but these have been of a minor nature.
2. No contamination of supplies has occurred within the area.
3. Bacteriological Sampling — regular bacteriological samples are taken for analysis.
4. Chemical Samples — analyses of water from the pumping stations supplying your area have been taken. None of the supplies are likely to result in plumbo-solvent action.
5. Consumption — average domestic — 32.4 galls/head/day
 ,, trade — 15.2 ,, ,, ,,

 Total 47.6 ,, ,, ,,

A typical chemical analysis is as follows :

This water contains per million parts :

Total Solids dried 180°C	....	....	....	....	283.00
Suspended Matter	....	....	....	....	Absent
Chlorides as Chlorine	....	....	....	....	35.50
Nitrate Nitrogen	....	....	....	....	7.80
Nitrite Nitrogen	....	....	....	....	Absent
Ammoniacal Nitrogen	....	....	....	....	0.012
Albuminoid Nitrogen	....	....	....	....	0.004
Carbonate Hardness	....	....	....	....	75.00
Non-Carbonate Hardness	....	....	....	....	117.00
Excess Alkalinity as Sodium Carbonate	—				
Oxygen absorbed from N/80 KMnO ₄ in 4 hrs. @ 27°C	....	....	....	....	0.04
pH Value	....	....	....	....	7.9
Odour and Taste	....	....	....	....	Normal
Colour—Hazen Units	....	....	....	....	Less than 5
Heavy Metals	....	....	....	....	Not detected
Free Chlorine	....	....	....	....	Absent
No. of colonies developing per ml. on agar at 21°C in 72 hrs.	—				
No. of colonies developing per ml. on agar at 37°C in 24 hrs.	—				
No. of colonies developing per ml. on agar at 37°C in 48 hrs.	—				
Coli-aerogenes count per 100 mls. at 37°C in 48 hrs.	....	—		
Faecal coli count per 100 mls. at 44°C in 48 hrs.	....	....	—
Bacillus Coli (Presumptive)	....	....	....	....	—

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Particulars of any new works of sewerage and sewage disposal and of any important additions to existing works completed during the year :

- (a) The sewers have been extended on private housing estates off Midfield Road and Thoresby Avenue by the estate developers.
- (b) A new surface water outfall sewer has been laid from the River Erewash to Clumber Street to serve the central re-development area, and a further extension to the Coxmoor Lodge Housing Estate.
- (c) Work commenced in extending the foul and surface water sewers in Low Moor Road to serve the Council's industrial estate.

By the local authority (a)	for general purposes	....	....	Nil
(b)	for slum clearance re-housing	....	....	Nil
By private enterprise	....	....	....	73

Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year

(a)	(i)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	1626
	(ii)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	2428
(b)	(i)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (a) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1946	—
	(ii)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	—
(c)		Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	5
(d)		Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head (c)) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation due to housing defects	—
(e)		Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive to those referred to under the preceding sub-head (d)) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation due to minor defects	1067
(f)		Visits in connection with Improvement Grants....	304
(g)		Visits to inspect temporary dwellings	37

Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal notices

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	160
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ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR
Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 12 of the Housing Act, 1957

(a)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	....	....	....	....	—
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice :					
(i)	By Owners	....	....	....	....	—
(ii)	By Local Authority in default of owners	....	....			—

Proceedings under Public Health Acts

(a)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	....	....			36
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :					
(i)	By Owners	....	....	....	....	29
(ii)	By Local Authority	....	....	....	....	6

Proceedings under Section 16 of the Housing Act, 1957

(a)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	....	....	....	....	Nil
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	....	....	....	....	Nil
(c)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made	....	....	....	....	4
(d)	Number of dwelling-houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders	....	....	....	....	7

Proceedings under Sections 42 and 43 of the Housing Act, 1957

(a)	Number of dwelling-houses dealt with by the Local Authority purchasing the land comprised in the Area	....				—
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses demolished after acquisition by the Local Authority	....	....	....	....	26

Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act 1957

(a)	Number of separate tenements or under-ground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	....	....			Nil
(b)	Number of separate tenements or under-ground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit	....	....			Nil

Improvements effected

Roofs repaired	9
Chimney stacks repointed or repaired	3
Defective skylights repaired	1
Other defective brickwork repaired	1
Rainwater fall pipes and eaves gutters repaired or renewed	13
Walls repointed or repaired	2
Windows repaired or renewed	9
Windows provided with new sashcords	24
Doors and frames repaired or renewed	3
Plaster repaired	20
Defective ceilings repaired	1
Floors repaired or renewed	7
Insanitary baths repaired	2
Sink surrounds replaced or repaired	1
Fireplaces repaired or renewed	2
Dampness abated	41
Yards or paths repaved or repaired	7
Dustbins renewed	111
Leaking overflows repaired	3
Drains tested	28
Drains repaired or relaid	8
Defective drains removed	1
Obstructed drains cleared	813
Inspection chambers repaired or reconstructed	4
Watercloset joints repaired	2
Cisterns repaired or replaced	2
Vent pipes repaired	1
Cesspools emptied	1
Broken and leaking soil stacks repaired	1
Water supplies provided or repaired	1

Housing Act 1957—Part IV

Number of cases of overcrowding reported during the year	6
Number of houses found to be overcrowded	2

Improvement Grants**(1) Standard Under Housing Act 1959**

					Owner/ Occupiers	Tenanted
1.	Number of applications received	....			53	6
2.	„ „ „ approved	....			49	5
3.	„ „ „ not approved....				3	—
4.	„ „ „ not proceeded with by applicants				3	1
5.	„ „ dwellings improved	....			50	1
6.	Amount paid in grants	....	....			£3,263 6s. 3d.
7.	Average grant per house	....	....	....		£63 19s. 8d.
8.	Number of amenities provided :					
	(a) Fixed bath or shower	....	....	....	....	11
	(b) Wash-hand basin	....	....	....	....	20
	(c) Hot water supply (to any fittings)			....	....	40
	(d) Water closet in and accessible from within the dwelling					47
	(e) Food store	....	....	....	....	1

(2) Discretionary

					Owner/ Occupiers	Tenanted
1.	Number of applications received	....			2	—
2.	„ „ „ approved	....			—	—
3.	„ „ „ not approved				2	—
4.	„ „ dwellings improved	....			—	—
5.	Amount paid in grants	....	....	....	....	£- -s. -d.
6.	Average grant per house	....	....	....	....	£- -s. -d.

Improvement Grants**(1) Standard Under Housing Act 1969**

					Owner/ Occupiers	Tenanted
1.	Number of applications received	....			30	4
2.	„ „ „ approved	....			19	1
3.	„ „ „ not approved				2	3
4.	„ „ „ not proceeded with by applicants				—	—
5.	„ „ dwellings improved	....			16	—
6.	Amount paid in grants	....	....	....		£1,269 6s. 8d.
7.	Average grant per house	....	....	....		£79 6s. 8d.
8.	Number of amenities provided :					
	(a) Fixed bath or shower	....	....	....	....	1
	(b) Hot and cold water supply at a fixed bath or shower					1
	(c) Wash-hand basin	....	....	....	....	3
	(d) Hot and cold water supply at a wash-hand basin					3
	(e) Sink	....	....	....	....	—
	(f) Hot and cold water supply at a sink				....	1
	(g) Water closet	....	....	....	....	16

(2) Discretionary

					Owner/ Occupiers	Tenanted
1.	Number of applications received	....			1	—
2.	„ „ „ approved	....			—	—
3.	„ „ „ not approved				1	—
4.	„ „ dwellings improved	....			—	—
5.	Amount paid in grants	....	....	....	....	£- -s. -d.
6.	Average grant per house	....	....	....	....	£- -s. -d.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 1960

Trade Category	No. of premises	No. of premises fitted to Reg. 16	No. of premises to which Reg. 19 applies	No. of premises fitted to Reg. 19	No. of inspections made
Mobile food shops and delivery vans	135	—	—	—	248
Bakehouses	10	10	10	10	38
Supermarkets & retail general stores	78	78	78	78	307
Butchers shops	15	15	15	15	85
Fried fish shops	9	9	9	9	29
Licensed premises	28	28	28	28	98
Greengrocery shops	9	9	9	9	23
Restaurants and canteens	22	22	22	22	89
Slaughterhouses	2	2	2	2	28
Preparation rooms	19	19	19	19	88
Tripe boilers	1	1	1	1	20
Wet fish shops	2	2	2	2	6
Wholesale Grocers and Greengrocers	4	4	4	4	14
Dairies and milk shops	—	—	—	—	—
Flour confectioners	4	4	4	4	16

Samples submitted to Analyst

Water 3

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT 1955**Samples submitted to Analyst by Health Department**

Water Nil

Ice-cream 48

Particulars of samples obtained by Officers of the Nottinghamshire County Council Weights and Measures and Food and Drugs Department and examined and/or analysed under the Food and Drugs Act 1955.

Number of Samples				Adulterated and Sub-standard Samples	
Articles	Ob- tained	Gen- uine	Adult or Sub- standard	Result of examination and/or Analysis	Remarks
Beans, Whole stringless green	1	1	—		
Beefburgers	2	2	—		
Beef, Corned	1	1	—		
Beef, Minced	1	1	—		
Blackberries in syrup	1	1	—		
Brandy	1	1	—		
Butter, Golden Choice	1	1	—		
Celery	1	1	—		
Cheese, Processed Slicing	1	1	—		
Chocolate Marshmallow	1	1	—		
Coffee, Instant and Chicory	1	1	—		
Cough Mixture....	1	1	—		
Curry with Beef and Mushrooms	1	1	—		
Fish Cakes	1	1	—		
Fruit Drinks	2	2	—		
Fruit Salad, Evaptd.	1	1	—		
Gelatine, Powdered	1	1	—		
Gin	1	1	—		
Ice Cream	1	1	—		
Indigestion Mixture	1	1	—		
Jam	3	3	—		
Jelly, Pineapple Flav.	1	1	—		
Lard, American	1	1	—		
Linseed Compound	1	1	—		
Margarine	1	1	—		
Marmalade	1	1	—		
Meat Balls in Tomato Puree	1	1	—		
Milk	42	42	—		
Milk, Instant non-fat Skimmed	1	1	—		
Peas, Ready Soaked	1	1	—		
Piccalilli	1	1	—		
Pies, Beef	1	1	—		
Pies, Custard	1	1	—		
Pies, Meat	1	1	—		
Pies, Steak	1	1	—		
TOTALS carried forward	80	80	—		

MEAT

There are 15 butchers shops in the district.

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the district, details of which are as follows :—

<i>Licensee</i>	<i>Location of premises</i>
E. A. Bird & Sons, Limited	24 Kingsway, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.
H. R. Smith	124 Forest Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.

Slaughtermen

Number of licences issued during the year	....	....	....	37
Income from licences	....	....	....	£2 3s. 0d.

Meat inspected and condemned

	Cattle excl. Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Horses	Pigs
Number killed	—	—	—	—	—	11,750
Number inspected	—	—	—	—	—	11,750
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcasses condemned	—	—	—	—	—	43
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	3,742
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	—	—	—	—	—	32.25%
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcasses condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	183
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—	1.56%
Cysticercosis						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—

Weights Condemned (in lbs.)						
Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—	2,560
Cysticercosis	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	—	—	—	—	—	26,033
TOTALS	—	—	—	—	—	28,593

No. of visits to inspect meat 217
Income from charges for Meat Inspection £444 17s. 3d.

Food other than butchers meat surrendered and condemned

					<i>Tons</i>	<i>Cwts</i>	<i>Lbs</i>
Canned meat	....	....	....	....		2	4
Frozen fish	....	....	....	....		1	83
Fresh fruit	....	....	....	....			13
Fresh fish	....	....	....	....		7	0
Fresh cakes and biscuits		....	....	....			49
Fresh vegetables	....	....	....	....	2	10	0
Frozen vegetables	....	....	....	....		1	57
Frozen poultry and meat		....	....	....		2	21
Frozen pastries	....	....	....	....			31

FACTORIES ACT 1961

Number of factories on Register at 31st December 1969 :

(a) with mechanical power	....	....	....	....	65
(b) without mechanical power	....	....	....	....	None
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	65
Number of unsatisfactory conditions found				....	None
Number of outworkers premises inspected	....	....	....	....	16

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963**Registrations and General Inspections**

Class of premises (1)	Number of premises registered during the year (2)	Total number of registered premises at end of year (3)	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year (4)
Offices	1	15	15
Retail shops	5	95	95
Wholesale shops, warehouses	—	4	4
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	12	12
Fuel storage depots	—	—	—
TOTALS	7	126	126

Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered
premises 276

Analysis of persons employed in Registered Premises by Workplace

Class of Workplace (1)	Number of persons employed (2)
Offices	64
Retail shops	351
Wholesale departments, warehouses	12
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	59
Fuel storage depots	—
TOTAL	486

Total Males 173

Total Females 313

Reported accidents — None.

Inspectors

No. of inspectors appointed under section 52 (1) or (5) of the
Act 2

No. of other staff employed for most of their time on work in
connection with the Act None

CLEAN AIR ACTS 1956 and 1968

Smoke observations made	....	....	....	....	....	23
Colliery spoilbanks inspected	....	....	....	....	....	23
Visits in connection with smoke abatement	....	....	....	....	....	152
Premises inspected in connection with Smoke Control Areas	....	....	....	....	....	595

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT 1963

Number of licences issued	....	....	....	....	....	3
Income from licences issued	....	....	....	....	£6 0s. 0d.	
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	8

PET ANIMALS ACT 1951

Number of licences issued	....	....	....	....	....	2
Income from licences issued	....	....	....	....	£4 0s. 0d.	
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	5

SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT 1964

Number registered	....	....	....	....	....	8
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	55

NOTTS. COUNTY COUNCIL ACT 1951**Massage and special treatment establishments**

Number of licences issued	....	....	....	....	....	3
Income from licences issued	....	....	....	....	£3 3s. 0d.	
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	5

NOTTS. COUNTY COUNCIL ACT 1951**Hairdressers**

Number registered	....	....	....	....	....	24
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	18

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT 1960

Number of licences issued	....	....	....	....	....	1
Number of caravans	....	....	....	....	....	3
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	6

PETROLEUM ACTS AND REGULATIONS

Number of licences issued	....	....	....	....	....	31
Income from licences issued	....	....	....	....	£115 0s. 0d.	
Number of inspections	....	....	....	....	....	66

RODENT AND INSECT PESTS CONTROL

Number of complaints	....	....	....	....	....	....	273
Number of inspections		....	....	....	....	....	1118
Visits to lay baits	....	....	....	....	....	....	505
Rat infestations removed		....	....	....	....	....	105
Disinfestations due to vermin	....	....	....	....	....	....	None
Disinfestations due to other insect pests		....	....	....	....	....	133

INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND FOOD POISONING

Enquiries and visits	....	....	....	....	....	....	6
Disinfections	None
Specimens submitted to Public Health Laboratory	1

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